ANIMAL TESTING STOPPED ON L'OREAL COSMETICS

The world's largest cosmetics company, L'Oréal, has ended a four-year battle with an animal rights group by agreeing to halt cosmetics tests using animals.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), a group based in Washington, led a consumer boycott campaign against L'Oréal, asserting amongst other things that the company fried live animals to test sunscreen make-up.

PETA said its next target would be Gillette, which it accused of blinding and poisoning animals to test products ranging from shaving cream to liquid paper.

> (Source: <u>Courier-Mail</u>, 14 October 1993)

FDA CONSIDERS BAN ON NICOTINE

The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is considering a ban on any cigarettes strong enough to get people addicted to nicotine.

FDA Commissioner David Kessler said that nicotine's addictive nature could give it the legal definition of a drug and has asked Congress for "direction on the matter".

He also said there was mounting proof that cigarette manufacturers were



deliberately increasing nicotine levels to get more smokers addicted.

Kessler has advised that if the FDA decides on the classification, it could lead "ultimately, to the removal from the market of tobacco products containing nicotine at levels that cause or satisfy addiction".

It may end up with people having to obtain their cigarettes and tobacco from a chemist or drug store, on a prescription from a doctor who has registered you as "addicted".

> (Source: <u>Sunday Telegraph</u>, 27 February 1994)



OVERUSE OF ANTIBIOTICS IS HAVING BAD SIDE-EFFECTS

1) A leading scientist has warned that the world is threatened with a medical disaster, because a key pillar of twentieth century medicine is crumbling.

Professor Alexander Tomasz, a world-renowned microbiologist, said recently that antibiotics are in danger of becoming powerless to fight off new strains of superresistant bacteria.

Delivering a keynote address to the American Association for the Advancement of Science in San Francisco, he said: "Already some strains of bacteria have been found to carry resistance to every antibiotic known to medicine."

He warns that diseases that are now curable, such as tuberculosis, pneumonia, blood poisoning, etc., could return this decade as the mass killers they once were.

(Source: The Observer, 20 February 1994)

2) According to an independent British researcher, Dr Lisa Landymore-Lim, the increasing incidence of asthma in Australian children (the highest in the world) may be linked to commonly prescribed antibiotics and penicillin.

Australians consume twice the amount of prescription drugs per head of population than many other western countries, and this could be a factor in why Australia has the world's highest levels of asthma, especially in children.

Her three-year study showed that the younger the age at which antibiotics were regularly prescribed, the younger the age at which asthmatic symptoms were reported.

(Source: The Australian, 3 January 1994)

DOCTORS KILL FIVE TIMES AS MANY PEOPLE AS GUNS!

The 1990 Harvard Medical Practice Study suggests that, each year, 150,000 people die from the negligence of doctors. Since there are about 300,000 doctors in the USA, that means each year approximately one out of every two US doctors kills a patient negligently. Over a thirty-year career, this could mean the average doctor would negligently kill 15 patients.

Since there are about 200 million guns in the US, and about 30,000 people

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die annually from gun assaults, suicides and accidents combined, each year an American gun has a 1 in 6,666 chance of killing someone.

This means that any doctor, any year, is 3,500 times as likely to kill someone as any gun!

Even the raw numbers are astonishing: doctors kill five times as many people as guns. Think about it! Should we be turning in our guns, or turning in our doctors? Come to think of it, why is the AMA pushing gun control? Why not doctor control?

(Source: Dr Edgar A. Suter, Doctors for Integrity in Research & Public Policy, San Ramon, CA, USA. Found in <u>Borderlands</u>, Fourth Quarter 1993)

RUSSIA'S SECRET WEAPONS?

In case you haven't noticed, the Western media has been working overtime to portray the most popular man in Russia, Vladimir V. Zhirinovsky, as a clown on the one hand, and as another Hitler on the other. Obviously he is upsetting the global picture for somebody.

In a recent interview on Sixty Minutes, Zhirinovsky informed the reporter that he had been offered huge sums of money from both US and Japanese sources to "quit politics". Figures of hundreds of millions of US dollars were mentioned. According to Zhirinovsky, the US wants Russia in a "weak" position internationally, preferably with the alcoholic Yeltsin at its helm.

What is interesting is Zhirinovsky's mention of Russia's secret weapons. One weapon he refers to as the "Elipton", which he claims utilises light, could devastate the entire world if used correctly. Other secret weapons he claims use sound and radio waves.

Sound familiar? Go back and read the NEXUS articles on non-lethal weapons in previous issues, and maybe old mad Vlad is not so mad after all.

> (Source: International Herald Tribune, 23 December 1993)

CONFERENCES OF INTEREST • <u>NON-LETHAL DEFENSE</u>

This Conference, classified "Secret, U.S. Only", was held mid-November 1993 in the Applied Physics Laboratory at Johns Hopkins University, Maryland, USA.

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Non-Lethal Weapons are those weapons that aim to incapacitate the enemy rather than just kill, and include radio-frequency weapons, light and laser weapons, sound-wave weapons, and more.

Chairman of the Conference was none other than Dr John Alexander, member of PsiTech, and Program Manager for Non-Lethal Defense at Los Alamos Laboratory. For more information on this man and Non-Lethal Weapons, refer to the article entitled "Psychic Warfare" in NEXUS vol. 2, no.16.

Other invited guests included Dr Edward Teller and Janet Reno, Attorney General of the United States.

TREAT VI

TREAT is an acronym for Treatment and Research of Experienced Anomalous Trauma. The Conference is to be held 28th April to 1st May this year in Virginia Beach, Virginia USA.

Subjects discussed at this conference include "non-conventional informationaccess systems and anomalous experiences such as out-of-body information gathering...".

So just how seriously do the military take astral espionage? Well, one of the co-Chairmen is Major General (Ret.) Albert N. Stubblebine III, a former Commanding General of the US Army Intelligence and Security Command, whose background includes parapsychology as well as intelligence.

BEHIND THE HEBRON MASSACRE

Official reports from Jerusalem reveal several disturbing facts about Barukh Goldstein, the Israeli settler who coldbloodedly slaughtered 48 worshippers in the holy Ibrahimi Mosque. Instead of firing automatic bursts from a relatively low-powered 9-mm Uzi sub-machinegun-the standard weapon of Israeli settlers-Goldstein fired aimed, highspeed semi-automatic shots at up to 90 rounds per minute from a powerful Galili assault rifle. Each of his five ammunition clips held 30 high-velocity fragmentation rounds: hallmarks of a planned Special Operations assassination.

Long before Western media networks started distorting the true facts behind the mass assassination in the Ibrahimi Mosque, the Palestine Human Rights Information Centre in Jerusalem compiled an accurate report based on eyewitness accounts and clinical hospital evidence. At dawn on Friday 25th February, during Ramadan, the Moslem holy month of fasting, Goldstein approached the Ibrahimi Mosque alone, walking in through the Ishaqiyeh entrance before taking up his position in Qour Nissa', an elevated part of the Mosque looking down on the backs of those kneeling in prayer.

When Goldstein opened fire with the Galili, he used a technique virtually



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unknown to soldiers in conventional armies, but taught by the Special Operations groups of the US and Russia. Instead of firing at random with bursts of three or five bullets in full automatic mode, Goldstein fired very fast single shots with the weapon set to semi-automatic, releasing one shot every time the trigger was squeezed. Goldstein is reputed to have fired at 90 shots per minute. Kill rates are much higher using this special high-speed semi-automatic technique, but only if the assassin has received extensive training. As a medical doctor from the nearby Kiryat Arba settlement, it is reasonable to ask where Goldstein gained his high level of special operations expertise.

Perhaps the most chilling indication of direct Special Operations involvement was Goldstein's ammunition. Rather than firing conventional solid or even hollow-point bullets, staff at the local Ramallah Hospital confirmed: "All those shot were injured [or killed] by devastating high-velocity ammunition which splinters into shrapnel inside the body, causing multiple injuries and massive haemorrhaging." Though totally banned by the Geneva Convention and every army in the world including that of Israel, Goldstein nonetheless managed to obtain up to 150 rounds of ammunition normally limited to covert special operations groups.

When Yasir Arafat stated clearly from Tunis: "This was not the work of one man: there is no Rambo", he might not at that stage have been advised of Goldstein's elevated firing platform or the use of high-velocity fragmentation bullets. Because the bullets were fired downwards at a steep angle, each one that missed its target immediately splintered into dozens of slivers of razorsharp shrapnel on impact with the stone floor, ricocheting upwards and outwards and injuring hundreds of other worshippers.

Written by Joe Vialls. (Sources: Mr Ali Kazak, PLO Representative and Ambassador of Palestine, Canberra, ACT, Australia; Palestinian Human Rights Information Centre, Jerusalem; The staff of Makassed and Ramallah Hospitals)

EUROPE'S IDENTITY CARD IS SNEAKING IN

Britain and its European Union partners are clearing the way for the introduction of identity cards, in the form of standardised "smart cards".

Smart cards differ from normal magnetic stripe cards in the way that they can store, access and process information stored on a card.

The proposed smart cards can hold enough information to store an encyclopaedia on each person.

Already Schipol Airport in Amsterdam has issued volunteers with smart cards the size of a credit card, which contain personal data with a digitised reading of the passenger's 'hand geometry' or palm print. A quick swipe of the card, combined with the hand pressed against a machine reader, is all that is required to pass immigration.

It is interesting to note that in several European countries where there is resistance to ID cards, e.g., Germany, health care cards are used instead.

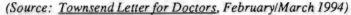
> (Source: <u>The Independent</u>, 3 February 1994)

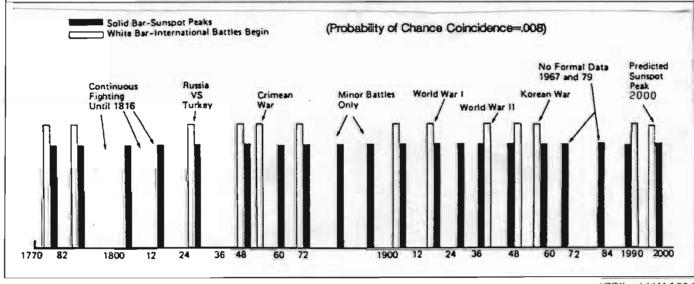
SUNSPOT PEAKS AND BATTLES

This figure was prepared from the data of Professor Raymond Wheeler of the University of Kansas. He found international battles waxed and waned in cycles of approximately 11 years. His data spanned 2,500 years of world history up to 1957. By plotting the time that battles *begin* rather than the time of their peak intensity, a close connection was found with solar activity, which disturbs Earth's magnetic field and apparently changes brain rhythms and the hormone balance of humans.

The Sun has just ended a peak of activity and is now in a quieter phase. The next expected peak in solar activity will be about the year 2000. International battles have been observed to usually occur a year to two before, or sometimes a year after the sunspot peaks, but never right at the maximum.

The probability of their occurrence within two years of the sunspot peaks by chance is less than .008. This corresponds with the observation that geomagnetic activity increases either just prior to, or just after sunspot peaks, but is not strongest at the time of maximum sunspot activity.





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THE HAARP PROJECT

Some startling revelations came to light while researching the background of a military-sponsored project starting construction in Gakona, Alaska.

HAARP is the project's code-name, which stands for High-frequency Active Auroral Research Program. HAARP "will be used to understand, stimulate and control ionospheric processes that might alter the performance of communication and surveillance systems", according to a HAARP fact sheet.

Although the HAARP environmental impact statement claims negligible ionospheric impact with no change to climate, weather or ozone layer, there are many who are warning this project is a serious threat to our Earth's atmosphere.

Richard Williams, a physicist at Princeton, NJ, USA, has expressed serious concern for what he sees is irreversible damage to the atmosphere, and also to the fact that the results of the tests will be subject to secrecy rules.

An Arco company has the bid for construction of HAARP—Arco Power & Technologies, Inc. APTI holds a patent (#4,686,605) which matches closely the HAARP proposal dealing with transmitting extremely large amounts of radiofrequency energy into the ionosphere. It is evident that HAARP will at least test, if not fully implement, the patent capabilities.

The patent claims it has the following uses: "cause...total disruption of communications over a very large portion of the Earth; ...disrupt not only land-based communications, but also airborne and sea communications (both surface and subsurface); ...missile or aircraft destruction, deflection, or confusion... Weather modification...by altering solar absorption; ...ozone, nitrogen, etc., concentrations in the atmosphere could be artificially increased."

The HAARP project and the patent describe untested and risky scientific (military) experiments and research. Why are the people of Alaska being lulled into believing this is auroral research, when the only thing common with the aurora is the area above the Earth being altered?

(Source: <u>Anchorage Daily News</u>, 20 November 1993)

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST?

GARY NULL: "I've been spending almost twenty years investigating the politics of cancer, along with Bob Houston and Peter Barry Chowka, and many others— Ralph Moss, Dan Greenberg. There have been many individuals who have tried to focus attention on WHY—in a country that claims that it is open to new ideas, claims that it is willing to fund research in innovative ways to look for an answer to both the cause and treatment for this deadly legacy—the reality is different from the rhetoric. And indeed, it has been a closed shop. The media has been woefully inadequate in covering both sides of the issue fairly and objectively. My concern is that the very organisations, the institutions, the individuals who are conducting the war on cancer are now the people who are conducting the war on AIDS. To give us an insider's view of what has happened in that war is Dr Ralph Moss.- He is a researcher in the area of cancer politics, and is the author of *The Cancer Industry*. Welcome to our programme, Dr Moss."

DR RALPH MOSS: "Thank you, Gary."

GARY NULL: "Alright. Could you give us an idea of who the people are—the faces behind the cancer-AIDS community? What interconnections do they have? And how tight an 'old boys' network' is it?"

DR MOSS: "Well, it's very tight. As you know, I worked at Memorial Sloan-Kettering [in New York City], and so a lot of my research has focused on that centre, which is the largest private centre in the world for cancer research and treatment. What my research has shown is that many of the top directors (what they call "overseers") at Memorial Sloan-Kettering are also top directors at drug companies. For instance, Richard Furlow, who is the President of Bristol-Myers-Squibb and Director of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association, is a top official of Memorial Sloan-Kettering. Richard Gelb, who is the Chairman of the Board of Bristol-Myers-Squibb, is a Vice-Chairman of Memorial Sloan-Kettering, James D. Robinson, a Director of Bristol-Myers-Squibb, is on the Board, another Vice-President of Memorial Sloan-Kettering. The President of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Center, Paul Marx, is a Director of Pfizer [Pharmaceuticals]. And others [officials of Memorial Sloan-Kettering] are Directors of Bio-Technology General, Life Technologies, Merck [Pharmaceuticals], and so forth. And so what happens, in effect, is that you have sort of a closed circle of people who are, on the one hand, directors of the world's largest cancer centre; on the other hand, they are either officers or directors of the very companies that are producing the drugs which are used and advocated by these centres. This is not unique, by the way, to Memorial Sloan-Kettering. We see other kinds of deals being worked at Dana Farber Cancer Center and at other cancer centres around the country. There are many, many ways that the drug industry influences the direction of cancer research, and of AIDS research. You have to look at it from an economic point of view. The kinds of substances that you have been talking about [advocating] for twenty-five years, and that I've been talking about for many years, are basically natural substances. Most of them are nutritional in origin, or plant or animal in origin. By their very nature, these are very difficult, if not impossible to patent. So if you want to patent a substance, you'd better look to the synthetic drugs-the chemicals. And these chemicals, by their very nature, are foreign to the human body. They're novel compounds that have never been adapted to in the long years of evolution. And so, consequently, they're highly TOXIC. Those are the drugs that are patentable-that are profitable. Someone close to you may now, or in the future, be fighting for their life against cancer, the dreaded scourge of modern societies. They will then need to exercise their RIGHT to explore the untold side of the cancer story-the side which the drug INDUSTRY, the medical INDUSTRY and the mass media INDUSTRY would not want cancer victims to know about." Extracted from the free airwayes of the People's Pacifica Radio Network:

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